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The applicants propose adding a new drawing sheet labeled 6/8 (FIGURES 11A-11D) that was unintentionally omitted at the time of filing and renumbering all sheets as indicated in red. The applicants also propose amending FIGURE 2, as shown, by adding elements 36 (surface) and 39 (layer of different material) discussed in the specification at page 7, lines 26-27 and page 8, lines 1-5.

Also enclosed herewith is eight (8) revised formal drawing sheets (FIGURES 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7A-7C, 8, 9, 10, 11A-11D, 12, 13, 14, and 15).

An early indication of the acceptability of all the Formal Drawings is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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APPENDIX

Proposed Drawing Changes

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Dear Sir:

Applicants propose amending FIGURE 2, as shown in red, to show the reaction surface 36 and active layer 39, referred to in the specification at page 7, lines 26-27 and page 8, lines 1-5. Applicants propose adding FIGURES 11A, 11B 11C, and 11D, as shown in the parent PCT application, as filed. FIGURES 2 and 11A, 11B 11C, and 11D are attached.